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Applicant: Roy A. BLACK et al.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed in the above-captioned case on March 24, 2006. Applicants believe no additional payment is required for filing this response. If this is incorrect, however, the Commissioner is authorized to make appropriate charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 19-0741 to provide exact payment.

Restriction Requirement

Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group II, Claims 23-27, for prosecution in the instant application. Applicants specifically reserve, however, the right to file divisional applications covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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